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Dr. Barnes To Speak On Miss. Radio Hour



DR. JOHN E. BARNES, JR.

Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Main Street church Hattiesburg, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Baptist Radio Hour Sunday afternoon, December 5, at 2:30 CST over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WLO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WHOC, Philadelphia; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; KWEM, West Memphis; WVBM, Brookhaven.

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The World Alliance

By Dr. Ellis A. Fuller
(President of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary)

The Baptist World Alliance, which was organized in 1905, has experienced a new birth under the dynamic leadership of Dr. C. O. Johnson. It is unbelievable that an organization should be given a new sense of mission, a new sense of direction, and a new sense of meaningfulness in so short a period. He has traveled extensively and spoke continuously throughout the world in the name of the Baptist World Alliance. This last summer he visited many of the countries of Europe where poverty and persecution are so prevalent. His radiant personality and his dynamic message started the flames of hope to burn again in the hearts of the depressed and discouraged Baptists of Europe. The way God is blessing his ministry and crowning his efforts with success leads us to realize that his election was of God. When Dr. Rushbrooke slipped away from us to enter upon his eternal rewards many felt that his homegoing would mean the death of the Alliance. In fact, many remarked, "Dr. Rushbrooke was the Alliance and he is dead." But God always has the man for the hour ready at hand when we seek his guidance.

We believe that the choice of Dr. A. T. Ohrn of Norway was also of God.

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EFFORT TO ENLIST SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN NEW YORK CITY

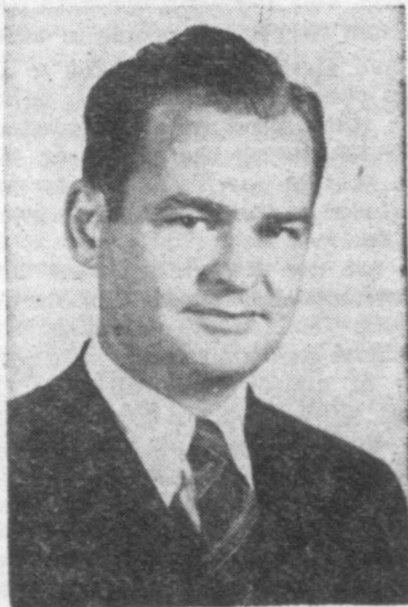
Ayer Asks for Assistance

Dr. William Ward Ayer, Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in New York, has announced the launching of a unique program which is of special significance to Southern Baptists. It contemplates the aligning of large numbers of our people with a Baptist Church in New York. It is estimated that 50,000 Southern Baptists reside in New York's metropolitan area. Many of these are not attending worship services in any of the churches. Dr. Ayer and his church have made them their special concern.

A program of home visitation has been instigated and Dr. Ayer has called upon all Southern Baptist pastors, Bible School Superintendents, and Church workers to send him the names and addresses of all Southern Baptists living in the metropolitan area of New York City, that he may visit them and send them invitations for a week of special "Southern" meetings to be held beginning January 16 with Dr. W. F. Powell, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, Tenn. Dr. Powell will preach the entire week and the church is planning a number of get-acquainted functions for men, women and young people during the revival period.

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DR. J. W. PARRISH IS LAUREL MAN-OF-YEAR.



DR. J. W. PARRISH

Dr. James W. Parrish, pastor of the First Church, has been named Laurel's Outstanding-Man-Of-The-Year by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Pastor of the First Baptist Church for the past three years, Dr. Parrish had the degree of Dr. of Divinity conferred upon him recently by Mississippi College of Clinton, but in Laurel he is lovingly known as "Reverend." Born in Florida but reared in Albany, Georgia, he is 34, married, and the father

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"THEY NEED IT WORSE"

By E. C. Routh, D. D.

BAPTIST WORKER DIES Mrs. D. Matthews Was Mailing Department Superintendent



MRS. ALDA MATTHEWS

Mrs. D. Matthews passed away very suddenly Sunday morning at Jackson Hospital. Formerly of Fayette, she had made her home in Jackson since 1920. For the past five years she had been superintendent of the mailing section for The Mississippi Baptist Record. She was a member of the Parkway Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Miss Camille Matthews, Jackson; mother, Mrs. Vertner Montgomery, Meadville; two brothers, Felix Montgomery, Jackson, and Glenwood Montgomery, McComb; four sisters, Mrs. Whitney Harrison, Fayette, Mrs. R. C. Cruthirds, Pasadena, Calif., Mrs. Wilkie Cotton, Meadville, and Mrs. Gertrude Toney, Dallas, Texas; one aunt, Mrs. Maggie Noble, Fayette.

Funeral services were held from the Parkway Baptist Church at 2:00 Monday afternoon conducted by Dr. G. Norman Price and assisted by Dr. D. A. McCall and Dr. W. A. Bell, Hattiesburg, with interment in the Lakewood Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were: T. B. Dickson, J. P. Clayton, J. T. Brown, J. T. Lloyd, Ellis Quinley, and Robert J. Brady.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Ray Tillman, C. C. Thornion, Dr. E. B. Werkheiser, Dr. Frank E. Werkheiser, Dr. Charles L. Neill, Board of Deacons, Parkway Baptist Church and employees of Mississippi Baptist Headquarters, C. S. Hart, W. M. Mounger, Dr. E. A. Blackburn, Walter Johnson, B. B. Graves, Dr. W. R. Beathes, Clyde Brooks, J. T. Lewis.

For the benefit of all concerned:
There will be no issue of The Baptist Record on December 30. The Christmas week issue of December 23 will be the last issue in 1948.

A few days ago we heard a Baptist layman, Harold E. Stassen, now president of the University of Pennsylvania, describe the landing in Tokyo Bay of the Occupation Forces. As a Commander in the Navy he was interested in getting relief to American service men in prisoner-of-war camps, eighty per cent of whom were suffering from malnutrition. When our men in the camp nearest the place of landing saw the Stars and Stripes they began cheering. So hungry were they that many of them plunged into the surf to get food and other needed supplies. But when they were asked by the commanding officer if there were other camps nearby, the famished prisoners said that there was another camp three or four miles away, and then added: "They need it worse. Help them first."

That reply describes the world situation today. There are more than a billion men, women, and children who never know what it is to have enough to eat. Most of them do not have half enough calories to assure normal health. They need food worse than we do.

Less than one-third of the people in the world are even nominally Christian. Probably only about one-tenth of that number are effective Christians. The need for the Gospel among the million who have never heard the name of Jesus is greater than it is here.

The other night in Columbus, Ohio, we saw in the meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America nearly forty nations from almost as many countries, each bearing glorious testimony to the saving grace of God in his own life, and to the triumphs of the Gospel in his land. For example there was a young man from Okinawa—Who hasn't heard of Okinawa? We appealed for missionary reinforcements. Every church building but one was destroyed by war.

There was Takuo Matsumoto, principal of a girl's school in Hiroshima which was wiped out by the atomic bomb.

We testified to the power of the Gospel of the Living God. He presented to the presiding officer a gavel carved from the stump of a tree in Hiroshima which was shattered by the bomb.

A Zulu chief from Africa thanked the people of America for sending missionaries to his land where many of the people had been transformed by divine grace and power. One of the most dynamic personalities on the program was Dr. Hilda Lazarus of India, principal of Vellore Medical College, wearing most worthily the mantle of Dr. Ida Scudder, now retired, the founder of that blessed institution.

I was struck by one fact as I heard
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"THEY NEED IT WORSE"

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the testimony of these Christian nationals. Whatever the needs of their lands they give the Gospel of the crucified, risen Lord the first place. As Dr. Paul Harrison of Arabia put it, the main thing to be reported is not a thousand successful hernia operations, but the winning of men and women for Christ through doors opened by the ministry of medical missionaries.

Dr. Harrison's message to all people wherever he goes is that the Better Hope for the world is available only in Jesus Christ. The big question, he said, is not, What does Russia think of us? but, What does God think of us? Jesus Christ is Lord of all. The Reformed missionaries in East Arabia have been of great assistance in enabling our own Southern Baptist missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Berrel Callaway, to locate in that difficult but strategic field.

Dr. Walter Judd was missionary in China, but is now in Congress seeking to initiate some needed reforms in our relationships with the Orient. He expects to return to China to resume his labors as a Christian missionary. He believes that Asia, a continent of immense natural resources, will greatly influence the long-term destinies of the world. He is of the opinion that the Chinese are the hardest people in the world. The future of China, especially its economic, political and spiritual decisions and destiny, will depend in large measure on the attitude of the United States and our response to the appeal of China in its hour of desperate need. Who will influence China most, the United States or Russia?

The last speaker on the three days' program was our own Oscar Johnson, president of the Baptist World Alliance. He magnified the leadership of pastors. They must be the leaders in this Missionary Advance. Their job is to inspire, to recruit, to challenge, to train, to lead. The people must be inspired to lift together to achieve the world mission program and purpose which God has set before us.

When we go to a cafeteria we don't have to take everything on display. There are some things in eating places which we do not like. So with a number of religious conventions we have attended in our day. So with this conference. There were three or four speakers—none of them missionaries or nationals—who could talk only of the World Council of Churches. They missed the main purpose of the meeting which was to set before the evangelical bodies of North America the challenge for a Missionary Advance, with details to be worked out and administered by the respective denominational boards. In fact, in the introduction to the published survey of certain great areas and suggestions for meeting the needs in those areas, is found this statement: "The best way to get this done is by denominations. . . Each board would challenge its constituency to undertake the enlarged program." We would not forbid our fellow-believers who do not follow us, but who through unselfish and sacrificial service are casting out demons in Christ's name.

In our relations with the Foreign Missions Conference—a relationship which has existed the greater part of the time since the beginning of Dr. Willingham's service as secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention—we make no commitments involving our missionary program or our doctrinal be-

R. L. JORDAN ORDAINED BY LOUISVILLE CHURCH**R. L. JORDAN**

In a recent Sunday morning service at the First Church Louisville, R. L. Jordan was ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry. He is the fourth young man to be ordained by this church during the past year.

After making known his surrender to preach, Mr. Jordan was licensed by the Louisville church and for several months he attended the Kentucky Baptist Preachers' School at Pineville, Kentucky. When the way opened for him to do so, he returned with his family to Mississippi and enrolled in Clarke College, Newton, where he is a student at the present time.

This past summer Mr. Jordan led the Gum Branch Church of Winston County in one of the best revivals in the history of the church; whereupon, the church called him to be the pastor and requested the Louisville church to proceed with the ordination service. Rev. W. I. Allen gave the Charge; Rev. W. L. Day, welcomed Mr. Jordan into the fellowship of ministers.

Adaston Church continues to help The Baptist Record have the largest subscription list in its history. Recently a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions were sent in from that good church. The sender was Miss Elvie Duke.

liefs and polity. We are free, under God, to send whomsoever we commission, and wherever the Spirit of God directs. No restrictions are imposed on us by such relationships.

Should the Foreign Missions Conference ever change its policy along that line, or become an integral part of any unionizing organization which would affect in the least our missionary objectives and methods of administration, the Foreign Mission Board has already provided for such contingency by adopting unanimously a resolution which would automatically and immediately terminate our connection with such organization. Southern Baptists can rest assured that the Foreign Mission Board will form no entangling relationships. Southern Baptists should dedicate themselves to the accomplishment of the Advance Program set before us by our Executive Secretary, Dr. Rankin. Don't forget that down the road in this small world of ours are multitudes "who need it worse."

DR. J. W. PARRISH IS

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of three children.

Prior to coming to Laurel, he served three years as a chaplain in the U. S. Navy with the rank of Lt. Commander. He was in many of the big naval actions in the Pacific.

Before entering the Navy, Mr. Parrish served as pastor of the First Baptist church at Plant City, Florida. He was educated at Stetson University in Florida and at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He is a Rotarian and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg. He is moderator of the Jones County Baptist Association.

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THE WORLD ALLIANCE

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He and Dr. Johnson make a mighty team whether they are in conferences dealing with the organization itself in working out its program or in the field as fellow-travelers rallying the people to the banner of the cross. Dr. Ohrn come with genuine scholarship, deep consecration, a clear vision, a strong body, and a willingness to let God have all that there is of him.

It is a kind providence that has spared Dr. W. O. Lewis, one of the best informed men about European affairs of this century, to lend his influence and to give his information to help Dr. Ohrn to lead us to new heights of vision and achievement.

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Giving to the Saviour always does something to the one who gives. It brings more of his fulness and life in the heart of the giver. It makes one more Godlike. . . . Editorial in *The Teacher*.

THE FAIRCHILDS**REV. AND MRS. J. FAIRCHILDS**

Shown above are Rev. James Fairchilds, Mrs. Fairchilds and their son, who are to go to Brazil in February as missionaries.

Wants Mother's Day Changed To Parents' Day

OTTAWA —(RNS)— Mother's Day has been "over-sentimentalized and over-commercialized" and should be changed to Parents' Day.

This suggestion was made in a report presented at the annual meeting here of the Canadian Council of Church by the Rev. Nelson Chappel, secretary of the Christian education committee.

"We are seeking to have Mother's Day turned into Parents' Day and have prepared a program for it," Mr. Chappel said, adding: "children should be educated to realize they have two parents."

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary

WE HAVE FAILED
(Editorial)

At our recent State Baptist Convention, it was reported that 350,000 Miss. Baptists had baptized 14,605 of the estimated 700,000 lost people in Miss., and had given about \$6500,000 to all causes everywhere out of their tithes (their tithe, mind you) estimated at \$30,000,000 during the past year. We make bold to say that thus far we have failed in the task God has given us to do.

We are not discounting what God has accomplished through us during the past year. Many marvelous victories have been won. Gains have been made in almost every direction. It is this writer's belief, however, that what we need to think and to talk about now is what we have failed to do, not what we have done.

Every department of our work needs growth. We dare not speak for other phases of our denominational program (or the Cooperative Program), but we do believe that the Baptist Student Union, or BSU, in Miss. needs to grow, in fact must grow, if it accomplishes the task for which God has designed it. Mississippi's BSU needs to grow in spiritual depth first. It needs to major on majors, not on minors. It needs to uplift Christ and not any human being, BSU Secretary, BSU Council or otherwise. It needs to stress the Church which Jesus purchased with His own blood, not so much methods, mechanics, and miscellaneous matters. It needs to so minister to

college students that they will graduate spiritually competent as well as mentally and physically competent to take their places in a distraught, confused, misguided world crying with many voices for a Christian leadership that can lead them out of the wilderness of despair into the promised land of hope.

And Miss. BSU needs to grow financially. We need more money for the State BSU Dept. We need to pay all of our local Student Secretaries at least as much as other religious workers with commensurate preparation and ability are getting. We have three Student Centers; we should have twenty. We have fifteen Student Secretaries; we should have thirty. We should have an over-all budget of \$50,000 instead of \$17,900. Miss. has approximately 350,000 Baptists. Ky. with 400,000 spent \$70,000 on BSU last year; Texas with some over a million spent over \$140,000 on BSU last year; Fla. with 225,000 spent over \$19,000 on BSU last year; Okla. with 300,000 spent over \$20,000 on BSU last year not counting \$300,000 which is to be spent on Student Centers during the next several years. Miss. needs to grow to catch up with some of the others. And then we need to grow some more. It is your State BSU Secretary's opinion that in every phase of our work we have thus far largely failed to do what God expects us to do, but that we should in all of them continue to GROW and GROW until we more nearly reach the pinnacle of success for which we are all striving.

Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

Mrs. Alda Matthews, Superintendent of the Baptist Record Mailing Department and member of Parkway Baptist Church, went home Sunday noon, November 28. Our sympathetic remembrance goes out to fine family members. Psalm 23, John 14. Mrs. Matthews was a casualty to the cause of the Cross. Converted late in life, she had a real experience with Christ. She was happy, humble, energetic, loyal, and constructive in life! She was a good friend and loved by many! She will be greatly missed by those of us who worked closely with her in the service of Christ. We are better for having known her!

I

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board meets in annual session Tuesday morning, 9:00 a. m. Should the Budget Committee be ready with its report, there is a possibility that a brief meeting of the Board may be held Monday evening, December 6. All committees will be in session by 2:00 or 3:00 o'clock Monday afternoon. All persons desiring to appear before any Convention Board Committee should be able to do so between 2:00 and 5:30 p. m. Monday afternoon. It is felt getting Committee hearings out of the way preceding the Board meeting will make for dispatch and efficiency after the Board convenes.

Many written and verbal expressions have been pouring into this office stating that Mississippi Baptists are now ready as never before to continue their upward climb and onward march in the service of Christ. This naturally makes us very happy! Doxology!

II

Your Secretary believes that all Mississippi Baptists will be interested in studying the recommendations of the Executive Committee listed below. We were glad to collaborate with the Executive Committee in framing these recommendations a number of them are merely restatements of present and former practices. All felt it would help in the work to have them grouped together. To our knowledge such a statement had not been made for more than ten years. The recommendations follow:

III

We, your Executive Committee, beg leave to make the following statement and recommendations:

By the grace of God, we have enjoyed victory after victory in the work of our Lord Jesus Christ;

We are ready for three great years in soul winning in 1949-50-51;

We are ready to concentrate on the Co-operative Program as a channel for gifts to all causes;

Our institutions, save one, are in the best condition ever;

We have great numbers, great organization, great spirit — best of all a great God and Wonderful Saviour —

Therefore, be it resolved that:

As a people we call ourselves to (1) prayer, (2) confession of sin, (3) claiming the Presence and Promises of God, (4) loyalty in worship, service, and giving, (5) personal soul winning, (6) home soul winning, (7) community soul winning, (8) association simultaneous soul winning campaigns, (9) association census taking, (10) state wide soul winning, (11) southwide and worldwide soul winning, (12) distribution of the word of God, gospels, tracts, New Testaments, (13) soul winning preaching, (14) soul winning teaching, (15) large attendance upon all our evangelistic conferences and meetings, (16) living the Christ life, (17) doing all the work of Christ, (18) a real

all out soul winning effort as we go after the 700,000 lost persons in our state...

And be it further resolved that:

As a people (1) we dedicate ourselves to God's way in all things, (2) we call all our people — to the last and least one — to bringing tithes and offerings to the house of the Lord for His Work, (3) we challenge our churches to work soon to a 50-50 division of funds, (4) we divide our funds in 1949, 45-55 and 50-50 as between state causes and southwide (worldwide) causes in 1950, (5) we give right of way NOW to channeling the Lord's monies through the Co-operative Program for all the work of Christ, (6) we conduct stewardship courses, and Schools of Missions in the local churches, and simultaneously in "associations," (7) we distribute freely stewardship literature, (8) we major upon Bible preaching and teaching, (9) we hold a great state stewardship revival, (10) we dare to expect \$15,000,000 from Mississippi Baptists as our tithe, (11) we share our tithes and offerings in worthy proportion with the rest of the world in the work of Christ.

Specifically we suggest: (1) that our State Mission work come to a greater emphasis upon preaching the Gospel to the lost, (2) that continued provision be made for enlarging associational mission work, (3) that we give as much help as possible to the developing of leadership to our colored brethren, (4) that rural areas and city missions be not neglected, (5) that pastors and churches be notified that allocations in the ad interim must be reduced, therefore applications for all help should be in at the regular Board meeting, and that ad interim appropriations be in line with Board appropriations and that motives of new churches be studied, (6) that abnormally large allocations to individual churches be discontinued, (7) that pastoral aid and building aid be supplied to as many needy situations as may be possible, (8) that the expenses of the Executive Secretary and his office be charged to the Co-operative Program, save when in special campaigns in which instance the special campaign may bear its pro rata part of the expense, (9) the expenses of the departments shall be borne by the budget of the department, (10) W. M. U. overhead shall be carried by the Co-operative Program according to the joint agreement between State and S. B. C. leaders, (11) full time staff members may not hold pastorates nor supply in one pulpit for more than one month within a year, (12) staff members may hold as many as eight (but no more) one week revivals per year retaining the honorarium and paying the expenses incident thereto. A list of these revivals are to be furnished to the Board each quarter, via the Convention Board office, (13) staff members taking trips on expense out of the state are to get the O. K. of the Executive Committee, (14) staff members will cooperate about the Baptist Building (a) in not parking in the drive in the rear, (b) keeping doors locked when leaving, (c) practicing economies, etc., (15) the use of the Baptist Building by outside agencies will be left to the Executive Committee, (16) officers of the Convention Board shall be ex officio members of the Executive Committee performing normal duties with the exception of voting, (17) the committees for the annual session of the Board shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, (18) these committees shall perform duties in line with present practice, (19) these committees shall be appointed as soon as possible after the report of the Nominating Committee to the Convention, (20) we urge upon our people to keep Baptist affairs in the open above any odium of secret caucus and in the true spirit of Christ and brotherly love, (21) that staff members perform their own

duties well without meddling, rendering faithful service, (22) applications for aid must be filed at the Convention Board office by the last day of November, sooner if possible, (23) that we hold both the school for preachers and the Stewardship Conference next year, (24) this being a ten year period in administration and marked by phenomenal growth and harmony in the Convention Board work we call upon this Convention to set as a special order an open hearing (the Baptist way) upon the lines pursued, principles followed, and financial procedures for Tuesday evening, 9:30 p. m. — questions may be asked and answered, (25) that we establish no more departments of work but rather consolidate as we are able to the good of the work, (26) that an office manager be named with primary responsibility in the bookkeeping departments, checking and seeing that all accounts are properly kept, his first appeal shall be to the Assistant Executive Secretary, his second appeal to the Executive Secretary, his third to the Executive Committee, and his fourth to the Convention Board, (27) every effort be made to have a full time assistant to the Executive Secretary by January 1st, 1949 — to the end that the terrific responsibilities on the latter's shoulders may be eased. This also is at the request of the Executive Secretary, (28) we urge our Executive Secretary to "slow down," confining his engagements somewhat to Sundays and Wednesday evenings, (29) that financial advances to institutions and individuals be not made, as such consideration and generosity seem to only breed trouble, (30) that we recognize the right of petition, assembly, and appeal to all

people, but as Christians, let us be Christian, brotherly, orderly and open in our approach, (31) that records of contributions may only be changed upon a written order from the respective church treasurer, or from same by the person sending in the contribution, and; the bookkeeper shall report these regularly to the Executive Committee, (32) that we continue publishing monthly in the Baptist Record an analysis of receipts and disbursements and congratulate those in charge for this open policy pursued through the years, (33) The office manager and bookkeeper shall make regular reports to the Executive Committee at its sessions during the year, (34) the Executive Committee shall send copies of its proceedings to the Convention Board members within one month, and (35) all departments are to stay within budgets.

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Hardin Goes To Catchings

The Rev. E. D. Hardin has received a hearty welcome as new pastor of Catchings Church. The new pastor delivered a special address Thanksgiving.

Mr. Hardin succeeds the Rev. Dan A. Morton who resigned to accept the pastorate of East Side, Gulfport. While Mr. Morton was at Catchings three rooms were added to the church, a church bus was purchased and a garage built for it. The church office was equipped with a typewriter and a mimeograph and the church went from half to full-time. Cottage prayer services were organized in various sections of the community.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PASTORS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL DECEMBER 31, THIS YEAR TO FILE THEIR APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE WIDOWS' PLAN. ACT AT ONCE!

REPORT OF SERVICE BEING RENDERED MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION As Of September 1, 1948

	No. of Beneficiaries	Receiving Annually	Totals
(Old) Annuity Fund			
No. Paying Members	18		
Annuitants: Age	23	\$ 9,341.56	
Disability	7	3,012.50	
Widows	22	6,293.28	\$ 19,147.34
Ministers Retirement Plan			
Certificates Issued	515		
Churches Co-operating	739		
Annuitants: Age	36	\$ 25,213.00	
Disability	8	3,137.84	
Widows	4	864.84	29,215.68
Baptist Boards Employees Retirement Plan			
No. Paying Members	41		
Annuitants: Age	1	\$ 430.92	430.92
Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan (B)			
No. Paying Members	1		
Annuitants	0	\$ -0-	-0-
Service Annuity Plan			
Annuity: Widows	1	\$ 120.00	120.00
Relief Department			
Beneficiaries: Ministers	28	\$ 5,286.00	
Widows	22	3,252.00	8,538.00

Total number of beneficiaries in Mississippi as of September 1, 1948 152
Total amount disbursed to Mississippi beneficiaries September 1, 1947 To September 1, 1948 \$ 57,451.94

Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention

Walter R. Alexander, D. D., Executive Secretary
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Don't Cut His Salary

Your church is cutting the pastor's salary unless you pay him more this year than you did last.

There is no denying the fact that prices have risen. It is also a fact that many churches have not raised pastors' salaries in comparison with the increase in prices. Today pastors cannot buy as much with their present salaries as they could with salaries of a few years ago. In other words, if you have not added to the pastor's salary you have in effect cut it.

We also believe that every church should include in its budget an item for the expense of the pastor's automobile. Business concerns either furnish their employees an automobile or pay for the use of one on a mileage basis. Many miles are travelled by the pastor every month.

With continuing high prices the pastor can do one of two things: 1. Receive more salary; 2. Lower his standard of living which means buying less or buying things of lower quality.

Unlike organized labor or professional men, the pastor cannot ask the church for an increase. Nor can he demand an increase as can organized labor. He has no union business agent to negotiate raises for him, nor can he and his fellow pastors go on strike.

Most churches have greatly increased their contributions as the income of their members has increased. But most churches, although they have increased the pastor's salary have not increased it in proportion to the increased income of the church or of the members of the church. Not only should the churches carefully examine the pastor's salary and get it in line with increased costs, but the same is true of our educational directors, ministers of music and other church workers.

The truth is that the above-named group has been more neglected than the pastors. Many

churches set the salaries of this class of workers and they stay set. Living costs have gone up for them as well as others.

Churches should check:

1. Their increase in membership.
2. Their increased income.
3. The increase in prices since 1939.

... Do the right thing by the church servants because prices have "riz."

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Mrs. Alda Matthews

Mississippi Baptists, the Baptist Building, the Convention Board, the Baptist Record, and the cause of Christ generally lost a capable employee, a sympathetic helper, a cooperative fellow-worker and a good Christian in the home-going on November 28 of Mrs. Alda Matthews, Mailing Department Superintendent of the Baptist Record.

For many years Mrs. Matthews had faithfully given of her time and talent to the important work of seeing that the Baptist Record went out on time to all subscribers. Those unacquainted with the hundreds of operations involved in revising and keeping the mailing lists correct, as well as the other hundreds of acts connected with the mailing cannot understand the value of a faithful, conscientious worker such as Mrs. Matthews.

Her going seems like a dream. Only last week she was faithfully serving and seemed in perfect health. Through these years she had been such a fine and helpful co-laborer. So it is hard for us to realize that she has gone from us.

But she was ready. How important that is! How fine to come down to the end of life's day and have the assurance that Paul had when he said, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." Mrs. Matthews had that assurance and that is worth everything.

Her contagious smile and pleasing personality radiated cheer and happiness along from many a life. One could not be grouchy around her. Hers was the hopeful, the optimistic, the cheerful, the victorious outlook.

Her going is a great loss. She was sane, safe, wise, gentle, and withall, sincerely and genuinely Christian. Yes, we lose much in her going but she gains much because of her going. She has now come into that high promotion that God had for her and she is now receiving the glorious blessings of life apart from sin and sorrow and suffering.

We are grateful to Almighty God for the privilege of having known and been influenced by the life work of Mrs. Alda Matthews. Blessings upon her memory.

Let's Adopt Them

In connection with his report of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, to the State Convention Dr. B. C. Land, Executive Secretary, announced that Mr. Leland Speed of Jackson, and Mr. Robert L. Covington of Hazlehurst, two of the Foundation's nine trustees had given \$5,000 each, through the Foundation, making the Foreign Mission Board, the beneficiary and designating the income on the investment for the support of Rev. and Mrs. James H. Fairchilds, Jr., of Collins, Mississippi, recent appointees of the Foreign Board for service in South Brazil.

Born and reared in Mississippi, the Fairchilds are our very own. Brother Fairchilds is a native of Wesson, and Mrs. Fairchilds, nee Miss Francis Felder is from McComb. They are both graduates of Mississippi College. He attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he received the Master of Theology degree and Mrs. Fairchilds attended the Training School. For some time they have been at Collins, where he is pastor of the Baptist Church, and where he has rendered excellent service.

It was indeed a high and holy moment when at the request of Dr. Land, this consecrated young preacher, his six-months old babe in arms, came with Mrs. Fairchilds and stood before the packed auditorium of the First Baptist Church. Instantly the great audience rose and stood in sincere appreciation and appraisal of the holy business of Foreign Missions and as a silent tribute to them. Who that was present can ever forget that beautiful, blessed moment when the breath of heaven swept through the great congregation? God's people were moved to tears. Our hearts came up into our throats. It showed convincingly that Foreign Missions has not lost any of its old fashioned glamor and glory. In a few well-chosen words, Brother Fairchilds voiced their appreciation for the privilege of representing Mississippi Baptists in South Brazil and for the opportunity of appearing before Mississippi Baptists in Convention assembled and asked for our prayers for them in their God-appointed and Spirit-guided field of service. The Fairchilds will leave Collins around the first of January, 1949. They are scheduled to leave the states for South Brazil about the first of February, 1949.

We desire to commend Trustees Speed and Covington, not only for their interest in Foreign Missions, but also for their interest in this young minister and his wife. It occurred to us that others might want to join them in this worthy matter. It would be wonderful if other interested Baptists whom God has

blessed with means would join these two laymen in this marvelous Kingdom opportunity. Surely one could not render a greater service, nor use a part of the Lord's money to better advantage. The salary of a missionary and his wife is \$2,000. This of course, does not take care of travel expense, maintenance costs and the like. An endowment fund of \$100,000 invested at 3 per cent would amply provide their salaries and expenses each year. If eighteen others whom God has blessed with this world's means, and who are interested in Foreign Missions would join hearts and hands with these two trustees, the Foundation could set up an Endowment Fund for \$100,000, the income of which would be used for Foreign Missions till Jesus comes. Gifts in any amount, large or small, could be sent to the Foundation and designated for support of the Fairchilds. bwmfrgn [nb]

We feel sure the Foreign Mission Board would be willing to leave the support of the Fairchilds to Mississippi Baptists in the event they care to assume it. Individuals, pastors and churches can make this possible. The Foundation, we feel sure, will welcome any and all contributions, large or small on this objective.

Those interested should write Dr. B. C. Land, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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A Christmas Gift That Lasts All Year

Many people are wondering what to give for Christmas. Here is some good advice.

Make a list of all the people to whom you want to give presents at Christmas and send to the Baptist Record with their names and addresses. Send a check or money order at the rate of \$1.50 each. If you request it, we will send them a card (to reach them Christmas week) advising them that they are to receive the Baptist Record for a whole year as a Christmas gift from you.

—BR—

DIVINE PRIORITIES (\$1.25) by Dr. H. A. Ironside, pastor of Moody Memorial Church, Chicago, is a volume of selected address given during the momentous days through which we are passing. Author Ironside is also known throughout a large circle for his Evangelistic work and his many helpful expository and devotional books. This 100-page volume includes *Divine Priorities*; *The Saviour's Touch*; *Fools—Wise and Otherwise*; *Cleaving to the Lord*; *Building God's House*; *Should Protestantism be Liquidated?*; *The Humiliation of Christ*; *Is Peter the Rock Upon Which the Church is Built?*; *Divine Healing—Is it in the Atonement?* Orders should be sent to the publisher, Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

THANKS EXPRESSED FOR CAMP MISSION OFFERING

All campers and friends of CAMP GARAYWA will be interested in the following THANK-YOU letters. They were received in gratitude for a portion of the 1948 Camp Garaywa Mission Offering. The Mission Offering each week was divided as the campers desired, and numerous thanks have been expressed for amounts received.

Ede, Nigeria, West Africa

"Dear Young Friends,

How very grateful I am to you for your very generous gift to R. A.'s in Nigeria. We have been very slow indeed taking care of our R. A. work due to an agreement made about twenty-five years ago to leave the work of the boys to the General Convention while the W. M. U. cared for the Sunbeams and G. A.'s. Our boys have lost a great deal by the agreement but now there is a crying need for such organizations and the missionaries in the various areas have asked for literature in order to take steps toward the organization. Now I think you have hurried things up for us for with the money which you have sent we plan to buy R. A. shirts for the boys who are to be promoted to the R. A. at the beginning of 1949. That will give us time to order and get them here by the time of the promotion day. I simply do not know how to thank you enough and to you will go the credit of reviving the R. A. work in Nigeria again. It has been many years since we have had an active organization.

The name of your camp sounds very interesting indeed. You kind Southern Baptist friends have given us enough money that we can have some nice buildings for camps here also. Until now we have only had camps for G. A.'s, and we have had to use the buildings which were left by the army after they had used this place for two years. The buildings are rough and inadequate but we have been very glad to have them for our use when we had nothing else. Our new buildings will take care of many more campers and they will be far more comfortable than the present ones. The government is one day bringing lights and water to this town and we are told that there will be a lake 2 1-2 miles long joining our land. We are very pleased about this, for there will be good swimming and fishing. We may not be permitted to swim but I know that we can fish. There are many partridges here also, and they are as large as small frying sized chickens. I do not think that they are as delicious as the birds we get in U. S. A. but they are certainly mighty good to eat. On this land we have guinea fowls, deer of various kinds and sizes, and one day some of the laborers killed a huge boa constrictor which had just swallowed a young deer. They ate the snake and the deer too. There are far too many snakes around for my comfort and satisfaction.

We thank you very, very much for remembering our boys and I think that you will be hearing more about them from now on. I am sure that what you have done will inspire us to do more ourselves, and we are deeply grateful to you. Perhaps some among you may come to Africa to

work among the boys here.

With very best wishes to each one of you,"

I am

Sincerely yours,
Neale C. Young

(\$28.00 was sent to Miss Young for R. A. work in Africa).

"Dear Friends at Camp Garaywa:

Recently I received from the Home Mission Board in Atlanta a check from Camp Garaywa for ninety six dollars and twenty-nine cents. I want to thank you most sincerely for this excellent offering for our R. A. Camp in Cuba.

At our annual convention in Gardenas last spring, Miss Martha Cabarcas, a member of the church in Matanzas, who has done a great deal to sponsor a splendid rural work in the Yumuri Valley, near Matanzas, donated for camp work a plot of about seventy five acres. The land is well suited for camp purposes for it is hilly, has brook, and is situated in such a place as to be easily accessible to our churches both by train and highway. We already have the deeds to the property and hope to build the first unit within the next few months so as to be able to use the camp next summer.

The Home Mission Board has given us an initial offering of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to put up the first unit. We also have in hand a total of approximately five hundred and seventy dollars (\$570.00) from Royal Ambassadors and others for the R. A. building. Of course we cannot do a great deal of building with this amount of money, but at least it will be a start and when we have the first unit we can add to its funds come in. Our first interest will be to provide water and light for the camp, and to build as much as we can with what we have for the purpose.

We appreciate your interest in our young people in Cuba. We hope that you will continue to remember us in your prayers. We have many fine young people in our churches. Twelve fine young men are studying for the ministry in our Seminary in Havana, and four young women are in training in our Training School for mission service. Our R. A. work has been given considerable emphasis during the last two or three years, and we hope that this organization will continue to grow.

May the Lord's blessings be upon you as you serve him."

Sincerely yours,

HERBERT CAUDILL

(\$96.00 was sent to Dr. Caudill for R. A. work in Cuba).

One paragraph of a letter from Miss Pauline Cammack:

"The generous offering from your camps has been placed in our State Indian Camp Fund where it will grow a little until time for helping to make possible another fruitful Indian camp. We are deeply grateful for your investment in His work among the New Mexico Indians, and pray that He may use it to His glory."

MISS PAULINE CAMMAK,

Sante Fe, New Mexico

(Miss Cammack received \$87.94).

Department of Temperance Activities

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Beverage alcohol easily rates public enemy number one in our nation today. The baneful, blighting, blasting, bewildering effects of this poison of hell are evident on every hand. The every increasing toll in human life and heartache is stabbing Christian people wide-awake across the land. Many of them therefore, are arising with new determination and courage to attack this monster of hell. When enough of us attack this vicious foe with unrelenting determination, a new day will dawn in our state and nation.

Evangeline Booth was right when she said, "Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villains, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocents blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted

more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves than any other poisoned scourge that ever swept its death - dealing waves across the world."

The following is from Mr. Fred T. Thompson who requests that we include it in the Baptist Record article: **LIFE'S KEY TO DESTRUCTION**

W-isdom

H-ealth

Happ-I-ness

S-uccess

K-indness

prosp-E-ity

Jo-Y

"WHISKEY DESTROYS LIFE"

BEER ELECTION

A local option election to determine whether beer shall continue to be sold legally is to be held in Stone County December 14th. Please be much in prayer for a successful campaign in this county. Other counties are at work now hoping to have their elections soon.



Department of Church Music

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I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old familiar Carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men."

We are fortunate in having this hymn by Henry W. Longfellow, the most beloved, if not the greatest of American poets. Though much of his poetry is of a religious nature, very little has been set to music and can be classed among our hymns. The poet's brother, Samuel, has written a number of hymns and, as might be expected, the work of the two has sometimes been confused.

This Carol could be very effectively used by the regular Church Choir or the Youth Choir in some of the church services during the weeks preceding Christmas. The music for this Carol is especially appropriate. The bass part particularly sounds like the ringing and singing of a bell. It gives the bass singers in the choir ample opportunity for performance. For example: the female voices could hum their parts and all male voices (which could take the bass part) could sing in unison the words to the last verse, whose words are especially appropriate for the bass melody line. Since all verses of hymn conclude with "peace on earth, good-will to men" it may be effective to use all voices singing those last words to add emphasis to their meaning.

A suggestion for the third verse

could be to use one person, preferably a soprano to sing the words with the other voices humming their parts, continuously with no break, as background, and then joining in the last phrase singing the words.

For the first verse the entire choir will sing the words introducing the title and theme of the Carol and joining again as a full choir on the fourth verse.

All of the Carols could be worked up very impressively to be used as a part of your Christmas music. So many choirs will not work up a cantata for Christmas because of the limited number of voice-parts in their choir. For those choirs we suggest using the familiar Christmas Carols with comments on the origin of them. Scripture, including of course, The Christmas Story, could be effectively interspersed between comments and carols to make a most impressive music program for Christmas.

The Department of Church Music would like to have a copy of your Christmas bulletin or program; also a copy of your Thanksgiving program for our files on suggested Thanksgiving and Christmas music programs. We appreciate your cooperation and thank you in advance.

43 Baptized At Macedonia

Macedonia Church Lincoln County, reports 43 baptisms during the past year. The pastor is the Rev. A. W. Talbert. The church recently ordained as deacons six laymen who are active in Brotherhood and other phases of the church work. They are: Hugh V. Britt, Oliver Entrican, Willie (Bill) Smith, Floyd Britt, Oliver West, and Luther Jackson.

The only true hope for the world today, including ourselves and our own churches, is to advance in world missions. This is a call for the mobilization of our total resources to win the world for Christ. It is a call for advance at the home base as well as overseas. Every local church, every state and Southwide institution must gear its program to world action. This struggle cannot be won with small resources and plans. M. Theron Rankin in The Teacher.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson For December 5. Book of Acts
I. Christ's Final Command to His Disciples. Acts 1:1-8.

He called them to be His witnesses throughout the world, beginning as soon as the Holy Spirit should descend upon and take up His residence in them. "The Holy Spirit is just God making man understand Him, God making Himself intelligible to men, God speaking to each kind of man in his own tongue."

II. The Work Begun. Acts 2. The Lord has gone back to heaven, and has kept His promise to send the Spirit. We have here the record of the Spirit's coming and the earliest consequence of that coming. He endowed the followers of the Lord with the ability to tell the gospel story so that all men of all the various language groups gathered in Jerusalem on that day might understand the story told by these followers of the Lord. Each man of every different tongue and tribe heard the story in his own language "where in he was born." The Spirit so worked that day that 3,000 people heard and believed the story and accepted the Lord as Master and Savior.

III. The Inevitable Opposition. Acts, in all the remainder.

Whenever anywhere the gospel begins to make progress, the devil and his dupes will oppose its program. It has ever been thus, and will ever be. The Jewish leaders opposed it in Jerusalem, opposed its progress and, wherever outside of that city it went, carried in the heart of Paul or anyone else, it met opposition from the Jews and, if there were no Jews present to oppose it, enemies arose from other groups.

IV. The Original Foreign Missionaries. Acts 13:2, 3. This heading is not right! The first foreign missionary was Peter, or someone earlier than he. Anyhow, Peter went down to preach to Cornelius at Caesarea by the sea sometime before Paul and Barnabas went out from Antioch, Syria. But to refrain from quarreling, let us agree with Paul and Barnabas were the first foreign missionaries. The Holy Spirit chose them and the church at Antioch ordained them. The saints at Antioch prayed for Barnabas and Paul and then laid their hands upon them to signify the approval of the church upon the work to which they were going forth. Then they set Paul and Barnabas free to go in the Spirit of the Lord where the Spirit might lead thee. I seriously doubt whether the two men had more than a vague idea where they were going when they left Antioch. They simply took up their journey under the direction of the Spirit.

V. "Come Over Into Macedonia and Help Us." The Gospel carried to Europe. How came Paul in Europe? God led him there, led him to Troas, led across the Aegean to the continent of Europe, to Philippi, to the riverside prayer-meeting, to speak to the women, to give the message to Lydia, a fine woman far from home in pursuit of a legitimate business. And Lydia became hostess to the servants of her new-found Lord.

But the angel who represented Macedonia to Paul and Luke and Silas represented the fine woman Lydia not only, but the brutal Roman jailer also! He wanted Jesus but did not know it till the trembling earth gave him notice of his need. "Just tell me what I must do to be saved, and see how readily I'll do it."

VI. The Last View of Paul. A prisoner in Rome awaiting the day of his going home to his savior.

He had grown tired of waiting and was homesick for heaven. He had not had what the world calls a good time. He had learned how much he must endure for the Name; but he had never

CALVARY, WAYNESBORO, HAS GROUND BREAKING



Members and friends of Calvary Church Waynesboro, recently gathered on the site of the new building for Ground Breaking services. After Pastor Jack Cranford broke the ground, the Rev. E. F. Hicks led in prayer, dedicating the site to God. Each visiting preacher brought a brief message, and the congregation sang "Standing on the Promises." The address was delivered by Mayor T. O. Slaughter of Waynesboro. The Rev. I. A. Sells dismissed the group, invoking the bless-

ings of God on the building program, which has now begun.

Pictured above are, first row: Rev. E. F. Hicks, pastor, First Baptist Church; Rev. Jack Cranford pastor Calvary Baptist Church; Rev. John Brown, pastor, Church of God; Rev. I. A. Sells, pastor First Methodist Church. Second row: W. E. Ramey, J. R. Coker, Sam Cochran, B. L. Parker, Bracy Beard and L. E. Holley, Sr. J. R. Cochran and Guy Walker, who are also deacons, are not pictured.

NEWEST PIKE CHURCH PAYS OFF NOTES IN THANKSGIVING SERVICE

McComb, Nov. 26 — Pastor Elton Barlow and the congregation of Calvary Baptist Church of Pricedale celebrated a "signal victory" in connection with the special Thanksgiving services Wednesday evening lending emphasis to Thanksgiving at Calvary. Rev. Fred B. Bookter, pastor of Central Baptist Church, McComb, chairman of the council when Calvary Church was organized, was the speaker of the occasion.

The program included a "fellowship hour", a chicken supper followed by the Thanksgiving service. Leaders in Baptist and other circles in Pike County joined in observance of the fine progress made by Calvary, youngest Baptist Church in Pike County.

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Bible Reading Selections

Below are given the selections for the Thanksgiving to Christmas Bible reading program.

The selections will appear weekly until Christmas.

December		
Day		Chapter
5	Acts	17
6	John	15
7	Hebrews	11
8	Romans	12
9	John	3
10	Romans	8
11	John	14

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Someone has said that the process of evangelism is not completed until the evangelized becomes an evangelist. Our experience has been such that we believe that the Sunday school develops more soul-winners than any other single organization, and we have never known an ardent soul-winner who was not fully loyal to his church. . . H. H. Hobbs in The Sunday School Builder.

turned back, but marched breast forward, never doubted wrong would be routed, right would triumph. This is the Christian's exceeding great reward; to know that he is on the right side, fighting under the banner that shall never be furled in \$44,800.

PASTOR TODD HAS FIRST ANNIVERSARY AT DANIEL

On Sunday, November 21, Daniel Memorial Church Jackson, observed the first anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Wayne E. Todd.

As a token of love and appreciation for the pastor and his wife, the church presented to them a Frigidaire as an anniversary present.

Through the joint efforts of pastor and people, the church has made great progress during this past year in all phases of its work.

The Sunday School enrollment has increased from 257 to 487; Training Union enrollment, which was 95 a year ago is now 200. Putting forth a special effort for the occasion, there were 371 in Sunday School and 149 in training Union on the Anniversary Day. Three new W. M. U. auxiliaries have been organized. Prayer Meeting attendance now averages around 90.

Four new deacons, N. L. Stampley, C. A. Rooker, W. H. Cochran, and J. Earl Walker, have been elected, and the Rotating system adopted. A church office has been equipped and an Educational Secretary employed. A Church orchestra has been organized, under the direction of W. S. Haynie, Minister of Music.

Numerous improvements and changes have been made in the building and property. The overall plan of the architect for a new building and remodeling the present structure has been adopted. The building of a one story educational annex has been authorized, work to begin immediately, under the supervision of G. E. Clifton. Two new lots have been purchased to the rear of the present property.

The church budget has increased from \$22,077.15 to \$31,198.20.

There have been 118 additions to the church

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

November 28, 1948

Hattiesburg, Main St.	708	244
Crystal Springs	488	122
Laurel, First	458	120
West Laurel	377	119
New Albany First	367	137
Including Mission	409	
Central Grove (Monroe Co.)	48	28
Gautier	40	57
Laurel, Beacon	181	87
Providence (Forrest Co.)	130	77
Centerville	150	
Union (Pearl River Co.)	102	61
Carmel (Lauderdale Co.)	45	42
Center (Union Co.)	98	61
Lucedale	214	114
Rocky Creek (George Co.)	105	97
Laurel, Second Ave.	365	122
Mantee	87	20
Pascagoula	280	106
Admiral Schley Mission	31	46
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc Co.)	54	57
Magnolia, First	220	117
East McComb	343	205
New Zion (Copiah Co.)	71	54
Friendship (Pike Co.)	137	53
Louisville, First	294	86
Including South Louisville		
Mission	314	
Chalabyate	43	
Booneville, First	184	103
Carmel (Lawrence Co.)	111	72
Bruce	211	67
Durant, First	171	80
Brookhaven, First	729	225
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	71	35
Mt. Vernon (Leflore Co.)	49	27
Kreole, First	95	64
Greenville, Second	128	81
Jackson, Calvary	780	238
Calvary Mission	21	19
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	221	109
Jackson, Northside	334	140
Jackson, Van Winkle	312	180
Jackson, First	692	331
Jackson, Elaine	117	85
Meridian, First	516	
Meridian, 15th Ave.	421	118
Meridian, Highland	377	136
Meridian, 8th Ave.	321	76
Meridian, Southside	295	148
Meridian, 41st Ave.	201	81
Meridian, Poplar Springs	174	58
Meridian, Oakland Heights	95	38
Meridian, Oak Grove	122	42
Meridian, Key		
Field Mission	36	
Jackson, Parkway	496	208
Parkway Chapel	63	28
DeLay	23	15

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COLUMBIA, S. C.—(BP)—The South Carolina Baptist State Convention adopted a Cooperative Program goal of \$1,600,000 for 1949 and voted to divide all distributable funds on a 50-50 basis between state and Southwide causes.

REV. B. T. SMITH

The Rev. B. T. Smith died at his residence at Brandon on Wednesday, November 25, after a lengthy illness. He was 78 years old.

The Rev. Mr. Smith was a retired Baptist minister. He was a member of the Richland Baptist Church and a former resident of Plain. He attended Mississippi College 53 years ago.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, the Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; Jasper C. Smith, Washington, D. C.; T. N. Smith, Macon, Ga.; four daughters, Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. C. N. Oglesby, Hollandale; Mrs. W. L. Sparkman, Plain, and Mrs. W. B. Adkinson, Knoxville, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. C. O. Peay, Ackerman, and Mrs. Maggie Johnson, West Point.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 p. m., from the Richland Baptist Church, with the Rev. A. W. Talbert in charge, assisted by the Rev. Charles Phipps, the Rev. V. C. Windham and the Rev. M. A. Davis.

Interment was in the Richland Cemetery

Sparks & Splinters

The Blue Mountain College orchestra augmented by musicians from New Albany, Tupelo, Booneville, Baldwin and Corinth, and assisted by the Blue Mountain College chorus, will present a concert the evening of Dec. 7 in the Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium. The numbers on the program include compositions by Mendelssohn-Zamecnik, Karoly, Mousorgsky, Wagner-Zamecnik, Isaac, Gould, Ippolitov-Ivanov-Reibold, Scarmolin, Davison, Praetorius and Aaron Copland. The orchestra will be directed by Professor William A. Hoppe of the music faculty, and the choir by Professor Steven Barwick, head of the music department.

Once more we must remind our readers that unsigned articles cannot be used. We must know the source of everything that goes into the makeup of The Baptist Record. A few days ago we received a clipping from a Florida paper about a Biloxi boy. But the article was unsigned. If the party sending the article will send his name we can give attention to the clipping sent.

G. S. Hopkins is retiring January 1 after 23 years as Sunday School superintendent for Texas Baptists.

Dr. E. D. Solomon, native of Mississippi, and for the past 17 years editor of the Florida Baptist witness, has announced that he plans to retire on May 31, 1949. He states that it is better to retire while he is able, than to retire because he is disabled. Dr. Solomon has done a great work with the Florida paper and is greatly beloved by the people of that state. The circulation has grown by leaps and bounds.

Dr. L. B. Cobb, for seven years pastor of First Church, Kinsport, Tennessee, resigns January 1 to accept the First Church, Cleveland, Tennessee.

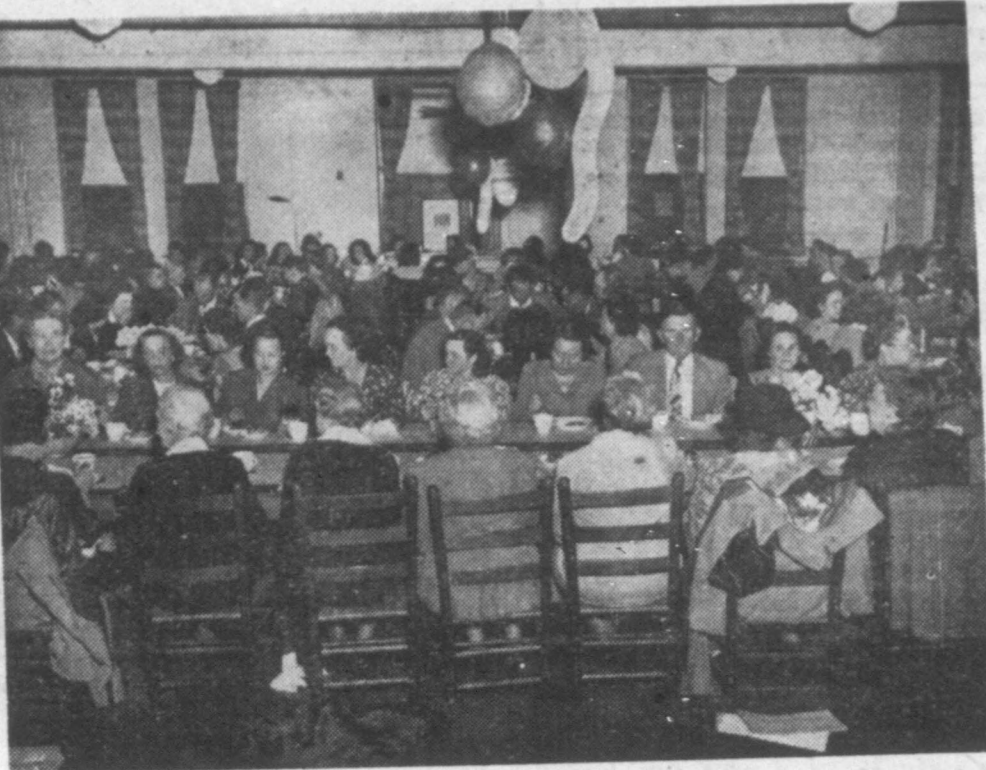
Pearl City Church, Rankin County, held a revival November 14-24, with the pastor, Rev. Henry Bucklew, doing the preaching. There were eight additions.

During the past year, Rev. J. Herrick Hall of Washington, D. C., has assisted in revivals at First Church, Silver Spring, Maryland; First Church, New Orleans, Louisiana; Dade County Association, Greenfield, Missouri; Christ Church, Washington, D. C.; College Avenue Church, Annapolis, Maryland; First Church, Falls Church, Virginia. Mr. Hall serves as preacher or singer or as both preacher and singer. In 1946 he retired from the pastorate of Fifth Church, Washington, D. C., because of an impairment in vision. He has been able to render effective service during 1948 and hopes to assist at least ten churches in revival campaigns in 1949.

We have just closed a truly great revival in Highland Heights Baptist Church of Memphis. Dr. Slater A. Murphy, our Pastor, did the preaching. The services ran for eight days, and we had 85 additions, with 58 coming for baptism. We had 297 decisions during the meeting. All who have heard Dr. Murphy preach, realize he is one of the best among our Southern Baptist, but he excelled himself in his own pulpit. C. Lamar Alexander, director of music and education.

Among recent visitors in the office of The Baptist Record were: Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Dr. John D. Freeman, Nashville, Tennessee; Robert Burkett, Mack Hedgepeth, William Hathorn, Joe Pat Lambert, Grady Lambert, Jerry Lambert, Franklin Graves, Leon Murray, Billy Honea, James Wilson, Dale Barnes, Mitchell Davis, Charles Nelson, Mac Dale, Robert Russell, Jerry Reid, Richard Neal, and Rev. D. O. Horner, Monticello; Roy Stephens, Roger Wade Fortenberry, Jack Welborn, Tilman Garlick, John Riley, Jerry Riley, Billy Myers, Maurice Jordan, Jeff Russell Jordan, Curtis Roy Willis, Buddy Clark, Van Kelly Rester, and Rev. J. G. Flynt, Silver Creek

COLUMBUS, FIRST, HAS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLINIC



First Church, Columbus, is making a special effort to reach the Standard of Excellence in Sunday School by January 1. The superintendent is Luther Wallin; the educational director, Otis Seal; the pastor, the Rev. S. R. Woodson.

And they will probably reach their

goal, for at a recent Sunday School Clinic 185 of the 194 officers and teachers were present. The Sunday School has an enrollment of 1,739.

Pictured above are the officers and teachers at a supper just before the Clinic.

First Church, Holly Springs, Rev. H. H. Aultman pastor, recently presented a Maytag washing machine to Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Crawford. Mr. Crawford is the Associational Missionary for Marshall and Lafayette Counties.

"Men and Missions" is the title of an interesting article in the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal for January, February, March, 1949. The author is W. R. Roberts, Mississippi Brotherhood Secretary.

The Baptist Message, Louisiana State Baptist paper, Dr. Finley W. Tinnin, Mississippian, editor, had a 64 page Centennial issue on November 18 in commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the organization of the Baptist Convention of Louisiana. He presented every phase of Louisiana Baptist life. If anything was left out, we did not detect it.

The Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor of First Church, Holly Springs, preached in a revival in LaBelle Church, Memphis. Rev. D. M. Renick, a former Mississippian, is pastor, and Charles P. Kidd, also a Mississippian, is Educational and Music Director. There were 35 additions in the two-week meeting.

Blue Mountain, Miss., Nov. 29—Miss Elizabeth Purser, head of the department of speech arts at Blue Mountain College, announces the dates of the senior recitals of her advanced students. There are as follows: Imogene Pannell, New Albany, Dec. 4; Betty McClure, Tupelo, Dec. 11; Maurene Collums, Houlika, Jan. 8. Other recitals are scheduled beginning March 15.

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THE JOY OF GROWTH

Thrilling indeed is the idea of growth! The Scriptures give full emphasis to it.

Southern Baptist Sunday school enrollment has grown from less than two million in 1920 to more than four and one-quarter million now.

Every state has shown a larger increase in Sunday school enrollment since 1920 than the state has shown in population gain.

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This great increase has been made possible through the growing interest of the state conventions and the policy of the Sunday School Board in investing its earnings back into the states.

ANOTHER GOLD SEAL CLASS

The cheerful Helpers Junior class, West Laurel, Mrs. C. J. Gatlin, teacher, maintained standard recognition for the full year that closed in September, thus becoming a Gold Star class, the second such one in the state. Congratulations!

EXTEND IN DECEMBER

Our special Sunday school emphasis for December is the Extension department. This is one group that requires no building space. It is strictly a home ministry.

Over three million adults in our Convention territory cannot attend Sunday school because of age, health, or Sunday work. Our goal this year is to reach 50,000 of these.

Surely, here is a great challenge to every Sunday school — to carry the blessings and benefits of Bible teaching to those who cannot attend.

Therefore let's put special emphasis during December on this very vital part of our Sunday school ministry, as we help those who cannot attend.

THE BREAKDOWN

Where are we to find 600,000, new members for our Sunday schools this year in our Southern Baptist Convention territory? Our enlargement goal for the year is 600,000.

Where find them? Well, let's see: If we enroll one out of every four resident church members not enrolled, we shall have them.

If we enroll one out of every five babies, birth through three years of age, not now enrolled, we shall have them.

If we enroll one out of every two Beginners, not now enrolled, we shall have them.

If we enroll one out of every three Primaries, not now enrolled; one out of every four Juniors, not now enrolled; one out of every nine Young People, not now enrolled; one out of every thirty-three Adults, not now enrolled, and one out of every five Extension prospects, we shall reach our goal.

Yes, people are plentiful. They are everywhere and among all age groups. Our task is enrolling them.

WHAT MUST WE DO?

So we have found the people. Now what must we do to reach them?

These will practically guarantee it:

Enlarge church buildings, organize them, plan regular visitations, hold revivals, have Vacation Bible schools, pray, plan and work.

JANUARY AND JOHN

January 3-7 is the time for the special Bible Study Week.

The suggested text this year is John's Gospel. The new book, **STUDIES IN JOHN'S GOSPEL**, by Dr. John L. Hill, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, is the suggested book for guidance material.

The purpose of this Bible Study week is to give the entire church an opportunity for a great Bible study week in order to enlarge our Bible teaching program.

Dr. Hill's new book will be available at the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss., about December 1.

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Holly Springs Adds 14 In Revival

First Church, Holly Springs, experienced a great revival November 7-14. The visiting preacher was Dr. Albert Cullen, pastor of Calvary Church one of the five Southern Baptist churches in Evansville, Indiana.

Despite the cold and the continuous rain through-out the week, the morning services averaged more than 100. The evening services were also well attended.

There were 18 additions, 14 of whom were by baptism.

Pastor Howard H. Aultman and First Church, Holly Springs, invited Dr. Cullen to hold a two week's revival next year.

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CALVARY ADOPTS BUDGET OF \$112,000

Calvary Church, Jackson, although pastorless at the present time, has adopted a budget for 1949 amounting to \$112,000. The budget is to be prorated on the following basis: Building and equipment, \$25,820; personell and general expenses, \$41,380; missions, \$44,800.

Calvary Church has 4,000 members, including those who live away from Jackson and those who are unlocatable. Church officials estimated that there are 1,500 adults living within the church area who have some kind of an income.

Concerning this, one church officer stated, that if the average income of these adults amounted to \$200 per month, the total income would average \$2400 a year per person, or a grand total of \$3,600,000 per year. Continuing it was stated, "If every one would tithe we would more than triple our budget of \$112,000 and not only be able to pay our total church indebtedness, but would have approximately \$200,000 left for missions and other causes."

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PERRY ASSOC. ELECTS BRANTLEY AS MODERATOR

Perry County Association held its 37th Annual Session in Calvary Church near New Augusta, Rev. Luther K. Turner, pastor. All sixteen churches were represented, and host church and its pastor cared for the visitors splendidly.

Reports revealed that 114 messengers represented the churches in the

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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H. B. SMITH



STENLY UPTON

Shown above are two of our Associational Brotherhood presidents who were retained for a second year. On the left is H. B. Smith of Simpson County and on the right is Stenly Upton of Marion County. These fine young men are leading in a noble way.

Brotherhood Convention Date Set

By action of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, the Brotherhood has been given the choicest date on the calendar for 1949 to hold our State Convention. The Brotherhood Convention will be on November 14, 1949, preceding the opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention on the morning of November 15. In the past, the Mississippi Baptist Convention has opened on Monday night, but the messengers this year voted to leave the night open for the laymen and we expect to work for twelve months looking toward an attendance of a thousand men for the night session.

Dr. Glen Eric Wiley, chairman of the Program Committee for the Convention for next year, has graciously agreed to work with our Brotherhood leadership in order that we may tie the two programs together as much as possible.

Thanks to everyone, but especially to the Committee of the Time, Place and Preacher, headed by Brother W. L. Day for giving us this break.

meeting. The resident church membership in the association is 1,875, with 677 non-resident members. There are 1,478 enrolled in Sunday School, 700 in Training Union, and 452 were enrolled in Vacation Bible Schools. During the past year \$5,544 was used for missions and \$35,753 for local causes.

The Rev. J. F. Brantley was elected moderator and Rev. Luther Turner, clerk. The 1949 session will meet with the Arlington Church near Beaumont on Thursday and Friday following the first Sunday in October.

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SEMINARY CHURCH, PERRY CO. GOES FULL-TIME Jarrett Licensed To Preach

Seminary Church, Perry County, is now supporting full-time work, under the leadership of Pastor W. P. Blair. Mr. Blair, his wife and two children now live in the parsonage.

Mr. Blair is a graduate of Clarke College and was half-time pastor until November 21.

Seminary church has licensed Van Jarrett, a Mississippi College student and son of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Hinton, to preach the Gospel.

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Young People Entertained On Saturday Nights at Bethlehem

Bethlehem Church, Jones County, on every other Saturday night provides a home in which the young people and intermediates can meet for a social.

The people have made their own

40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD SR.

40 YEARS AGO

The pastor of the Fifteenth Avenue church, Meridian, reports a great meeting, assisted by Home Board evangelist Dr. W. A. McComb. Visible results: "a greatly revived and strengthened church, with a strong committee of Ways and Means to build a new church house, and thirty-three additions to the membership."

25 YEARS AGO

The Baptist church at Philadelphia has called Rev. Theo. Whitfield of Gulfport.

A. J. Wilds, State B. Y. P. U. Secretary announces another slogan, "A Bible Reading a Day will Keep the Devil Away."

The East Philadelphia Baptist church was organized with 18 members. Elder S. M. Massey was chosen as pastor and T. C. Jolly clerk.

equipment for several games which are used from 7 to 8 o'clock. After that time a song session is enjoyed, followed by a devotional period of prayer and inspiration talks.

On November 20 Mrs. D. C. Jenkins, wife of the pastor, spoke to 38 young people on "Tieing on to Worldly Things."

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It has been my observation through twenty-five years of experience that the greatest single medium for soul-winning and evangelism is the Sunday school. In it the organization is ideal, the workers are available, and the atmosphere can be focused for that purpose. . . W. Douglas Hudgins in The Sunday School Builder.



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BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson

Program for 1948 Training Union Convention, First Baptist Church, Jackson, December 28, 1948

- Morning
- 9:30—Friend meet Friend.
- 10:00—Meditation, Song, Scripture, Prayer.
- 10:15—Our 1949 theme, "Found Faithful" — Kermit Canterbury, President.
- 10:25—Baptist Training Union Alerted for Action — Auber J. Wilds.
- 10:35—Special Music — Baptist Orphanage Choir.
- 10:45—Available helps for Progressive Leadership — C. Aubrey Hearn, Nashville.
- 11:05—Recognition Offering, Committees Appointed.
- 11:20—Special Music.
- 11:30—Message—Dr. Noland Kennedy.
- 12:00—Lunch.
- 2:00—Departments Meetings.
- 7:00—Meditation, Song, Scripture, Prayer.
- 7:15—Demonstration by contestants.
- 7:50—Special Music — First Jackson Youth Choir.
- 8:00—Report of committees.
- 8:05—Message — H. A. Hunderup Jr., New Orleans.
- 8:35—Call for dedications.
- 8:50—Friendship Circle.
- 9:00—Adjournment.

We believe you will agree that the above program is planned to make the day, December 28th the **HIGH** day of the year. We want it to serve as a climatic closing of the present year and to usher in the new year with challenge and hope based on sound planning and faith in the promised leadership of the Father.

We are giving the entire afternoon to department sections of the convention. Here we will have the contests and from the large group of contestants in each department we will select one or more that will be on program in the evening session of the convention. Yes, its December 28th, First Church, Jackson, 10:00 A. M. — 9:00 P. M.

"Be not concerned nor be surprised
If what you do is criticized,
There are always folks who usually
can

Find some fault with every plan,
Mistakes are made, we can't deny,
But only made by folks who TRY."

Study Course awards for October 2-197. New unions for October 67, divides as follows: Story Hour, 11; Junior, 15; Intermediate 13; Young People, 12; Adult, 16. You will note the adults led with the Juniors coming second. Sixteen associations were represented in these new unions.

Jackson Co. has successful meeting. Associational Director Wallace Harrell of Jackson Co. reports a great meeting of the Jackson Co. Training union. There were 347 present from fourteen of the eighteen churches, and there were twenty four (24) preachers present. We do not have the record but we doubt any other Associational Training Union being able to boast a larger attendance of preachers at any one meeting. The Jackson Co. Associational Training Union was stand-

ard for the third quarter of this year, and with such interest as is being manifested will no doubt continue on that list. Congratulations are certainly in order. And some one said "The coast is a God forsaken territory." No God is there and is working the work of righteousness.

District Cabinet Meetings

The week of December 13-17 has been set aside for the meeting of the Cabinet in each of our Districts. The cabinet consists of the three district officers, president, vice president, and secretary, and the associational directors in the district. A few of these cabinet meetings were held in November but most of them are scheduled for the week given above. Here the directors will discuss their work for the new year, complete their calendars and contribute their ideas for enlarged emphasis in our total program of promotion. One of the State Training Union workers will attend these meetings for whatever service he may render. Plans for greater District Conventions for 1949 will be discussed and adopted, these led by the district officers. Though 1948 has been our greatest year, we can make 1949 even greater. Pray for these meetings.

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3 DEACONS ORDAINED AT GREENVILLE, MARION CO.

Greenville Church, Marion County, has recently ordained as deacons Marshall Saucier, Louis Myrick, and T. C. Wilson, Sr. The pastor is the Rev. H. L. Deer of Kokomo.

The church sponsors half-time work and carries on an active program in Sunday School, W. M. U., and Brotherhood work. A butane gas system has been installed, new pews have been purchased and the church has been painted. A few months ago the church was remodeled, adding six Sunday School rooms.

Greenville Church has had the popular and progressive **EVERY FAMILY** Plan of the Baptist Record for many years. The Home Life magazine also is sent to each family every month.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

December 6 — Southwide Simultaneous Associational BTU meetings; State-wide BSU Drive for World Relief; W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions.

December 7 — Dr. Fred Mosley, George County, Convention Board member; Harold Cox, Baptist Orphanage trustee.

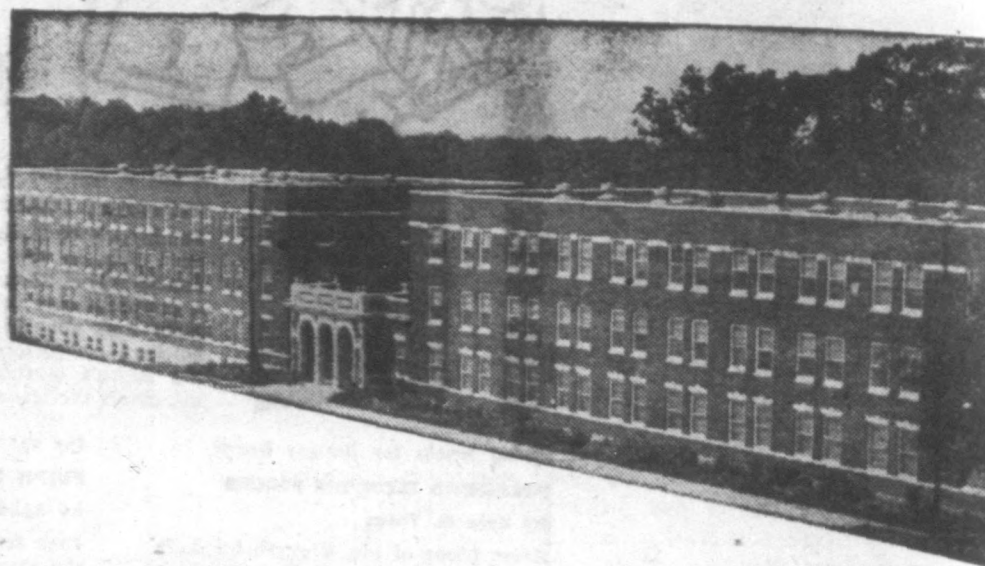
December 8 — Mrs. David Cook, Panola Associational Music Director; Dr. J. P. Wall, Baptist Hospital trustee.

December 9 — Thornton Ray, Blue Mountain College trustee; Rev. H. A. Milner, Hinds County, Convention Board member.

December 10 — Mrs. J. W. Maxwell, Instructor, Mississippi College; Lyle Corey, Meridian, trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

December 11 — R. L. Covington, Hazlehurst, trustee, Baptist Foundation; P. M. B. Self, Marks, trustee, Memorial Hospital, Memphis.

December 12 — Dr. Robert M. Ross, Woman's College trustee; R. E. Gardner, Jasper County, Convention Board member.



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GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

FRIENDSHIP, PIKE COUNTY

While Pastor M. Glen Smith was away in a week-end revival, we had the privilege of again supplying at Friendship. Friendship is one of the better rural churches of Mississippi, carrying on a full-time program in a modern church building with facilities for all departments of work.

Pastor Smith lives within a few yards of the church in the modern parsonage. The church was well-filled for the morning hour and we were told that that was not unusual. Two choirs, one which sings in the morning and the other at the evening services, provides the church with first class church music.

Mrs. Smith is an unsalaried assistant pastor and is of much assistance in the work.

Pike County Record readers are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs, 49; Bala Chitto, 25; Bogue Chitto, 50; Calvary, 51; Central 19; East McComb, 298; Fernwood, 65; Friendship, 130; Holmesville, 32; Johnston Station, 34; McComb, First 466; McComb, South Side, 127; Magnolia, 156; Mt. Zion, 2; Osyka, 76; Progress, 37; Silver Creek, 53; Silver Springs, 58; Summit, 119; Tangipahoa, 88; Terry's Creek, 76; Thompson, 22; Union, 40.

LOWLAND CHURCH, LEFLORE COUNTY, IS IN

A recent addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is Lowland Church, Leflore County. Recently Jimmie O'Brian sent a list of 14 names, which included the name of the pastor, Rev. L. E. Moon of Minter City.

Record readers in Leflore County are now listed as follows: Calvary, Greenwood, 211; Greenwood, First, 585; Lowland, 14; Morgan City, 35; Mount Vernon, 27; Riverside, 57; Schlater, 47; Sidon, 41; Itta Bena, 76.

STEWART SENDS LIST

A majority of the members of Stewart church want to keep up with what Baptists are doing at home and abroad. Therefore a recent list was received which was sent by M. B. Peeples. He states that the list represents a majority of the homes of the Stewart Church.

Record readers in Montgomery County are now listed as follows: Bethlehem, 23; Duckhill, 33; Eskridge, 1; Hays Creek, 27; Kilmichael, 75; Mulligan Springs, 24; Bulberry, 16; Scotland, 33; Shiloh, 1; Stewart, 11; Sweatman, 1; Winona, 159; Prospect, 1.

CALVARY IS NO. 928

The newly organized Calvary Church at Waynesboro is making progress in many ways under the leadership of Pastor Jack Cranford. Recently they adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. A list of 23 names was sent in by the pastor, Mr. L. E. Holley, Sr. is the treasurer.

Record readers in Wayne County are now listed as follows: Calvary, 23; Bueatunna, 48; Clara, 50; Clear Creek, 14; Coyt, 1; Evergreen, 14; Mt. Zion, 28; Pleasant Grove 41; State Line, 52; Strengthford, 14; Waynesboro, First 118; Zion Rest, 1.

Davis Accepts Juniper Grove



REV. HARVEY L. DAVIS

Rev. Harvey L. Davis has accepted the pastorate of Juniper Grove Church Pearl River County, and has begun his work there already.

Mr. Davis came to Juniper Grove from Central Church near Hattiesburg where he was pastor more than six years. During his ministry at Central Church, the church went from half-time and the pastor's salary was increased from \$65 to \$200 per month. The church budget has grown from \$2,000 to \$5,000 annually and the church has adopted the method of financing the budget through the Sunday School. Seven Sunday School rooms were added, the church interior renovated, and two ceiling fans and Butaine gas have been installed.

Mr. Davis was succeeded at Central Church by the Rev. Paul Cranford.

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CLARKE AND MISSISSIPPI COLLEGES COMMENDED

At the State Convention, Rev. C. B. Hamlett III reporting for the Committee to Review the Report of the Education Committee, not only commended the work of Blue Mountain College and Mississippi Woman's College as mentioned in the last issue of the Baptist Record but also the work of Mississippi College and Clarke Memorial College.

Concerning Mississippi College, the Committee stated: "We are greatly encouraged by the good report of Mississippi College. There was an addition of 12 new, splendidly qualified faculty members which is in keeping with the increased enrollment and expanded curriculum."

The report reminds us that we are faced with three possibilities in meeting the growing needs of the colleges: (1) An increased tuition charge which would put the college at a disadvantage in meeting the fierce competition of the state institutions; (2) An enlarged endowment which should be \$1 million dollars in the next two years; (3) An increased percentage from the Cooperative Program receipts which would help meet the immediate needs of the College.

Concerning Clarke College, the Committee stated: "Clarke College is to be highly commended in doing a work that only Clarke can do. Progress is noted in every phase of its great work—a fine student body; an excellent faculty; working at a sacrifice; numerous friends among Mississippi Baptists. We point with special interest to the addition of an Agricultural Department, as well as associational, home and foreign missionaries planning to work in rural areas. A sad picture is the necessity of turning away many fine young people because of lack of space."

CHRISTMAS AT HOME

Mrs. W. G. Mize

The residents of the Children's Village, known for fifty years as the Baptist Orphanage, are looking forward to a Merry Christmas. Our Blue Mountain girl and College boys will return for brief visits, and a festive will fill the air.

Each Cottage will have its own decorated tree, with gifts under it from the Cottage Mother and children to each other. Some have already drawn names. In the dining room, there will be a tree large enough to be seen out on the Boulevard. There will be a lighted cross over the door way to the Administrative Building.

On the stage in the J. E. Byrd Memorial Chapel will be the Christmas scene, and also the tree furnished by First Church, Jackson.

For twenty five years or more the First Church has had this tree in its own church building, but last year decided to have it in the Home and bring the gifts here, since the homelike spirit added to its enjoyment and gave it deeper significance. Already the boys and girls have been asked to turn in their requests for gifts and these will be bought, wrapped, tagged and ready to give the children Thursday night.

On Wednesday afternoon all the children under thirteen years of age will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garner Green at the lovely Christmas party in their spacious home on North State Street, Jackson.

Christmas Eve is the time for Carols, so a bus load of boys and girls will lend their voices to the carol singers of the city.

Christmas morning will begin with a devotional of the Christ Story at breakfast. Then comes the Home tree. Many of you have written us for names so that you may send gifts. We expect to give out all the names in a short while. By Christmas Eve the office will be filled with packages from individuals, societies, classes or organizations. The lists will be well checked so that every child will be remembered well and equally. About sixty will have their first Christmas here and for most it will be the best they have ever had.

For several years Bob Sanders has given our Christmas turkeys as Mr. and Mrs. Grady Brunson have provided those for Thanksgiving. The ladies of Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, have furnished home made cakes for several years. On special days Borden Ice Cream Company, Jackson, Mississippi, sends us ice cream while throughout the year Seale-Lily Ice Cream Company, Jackson, sends it on Sunday night.

In view of the fact that we are trying to make this a real home for all the children who live here, we are delighted to receive help from you toward making it the happiest period in their childhood, providing them with cherished memories that will make this home sweet to them always.

The staff and children will be here through the holiday season and will be glad to have friends and relatives visit the children of our village.

LIGHT FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

(50c) published by the Broadman Press is a symposium by the Board's secretaries featuring the achievements, the present needs, and the necessity for expansion on the several fields. The book is currently recommended for Foreign Mission Study Series with the prayer that churches will respond with a great increase in resources for world evangelization. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

BERLIN —(RNS)— Soviet occupation authorities in Brandenburg province have ordered the immediate discontinuance of newsprint supplies to two Evangelical church publications in the area, it was learned here. The publications are the Potsdamer Kirche and the Berliner Kirche, both of which are printed under Soviet license.



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Chimes, Home-Lift Dedicated At First Church, Poplarville

A special service of Thanksgiving and Dedication was observed in Poplarville last Thursday morning. Miss Edith McDaniel, a graduate of Blue Mountain College, gave a sacred concert of beautiful music, using the Norton Chimes equipment, which sent the music out over the amplifying system so that it could be heard and enjoyed by many people for miles around.

The Norton Chime equipment, similar to that demonstrated in Memphis during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, was purchased with funds raised by Miss Bal Culpepper and Mrs. Clarence Rester, both of them Sunday school teachers in Poplarville. Their presentation of this equipment to the church was followed by a speech of acceptance in behalf of the church by Deacon Chairman L. A. Hurst.

Many elderly people were enabled to attend this service due to the recent gift to the church of a Shepard "Home-Lift" elevator. By using a rear entrance to the church, and rising to the second-floor level of the main auditorium by means of this elevator, even a wheel-chair invalid would find it unnecessary to take a single upward step.

The elevator is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Batson and family, in honor of their mother, Mrs. Rosa M. Batson. Previously Mr. Batson had given Hammond organs to the Baptist and Methodist churches of Poplarville, in memory of his son, E. O. Batson, Jr.

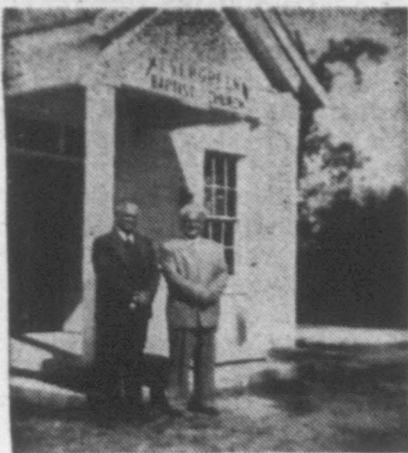
The speech of presentation of the elevator to the church was made by Miss Thelma Batson, a cousin of Mr. E. O. Batson. Rev. F. W. Gunn, the most active "retired" Baptist minister in the state of Mississippi, and teacher of the Men's Bible Class, accepted the elevator in behalf of the Poplarville church.

The sermon of Thanksgiving and Dedication was preached by Dr. B. Frank Smith, of the Woman's College Bible Department. This was followed by a prayer, also of Thanksgiving and Dedication, offered by Dr. J. G. Chastain, father of the pastor of the church, Dr. Judson Chastain. The church was beautifully decorated by Mrs. Leo Daughdrill and Mrs. Clarence Rester and Miss Bal Culpepper.

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The second annual volume of ROZELL'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON COMMENTARY has come from the press. The author is Rev. Ray Rozell who has had unusual experience in the field of helping Sunday School teachers with their lesson preparation. For twenty years in several large churches, he has met his teachers each Wednesday evening to help them with their lesson preparation. He has served as assistant pastor and Minister of Education in the First Baptist Churches of Austin, Texas, San Angelo, Texas, Atlanta, Georgia, and Amarillo, Texas, his present field. In this book he now offers, for general use, the type of lesson development and presentation which has proved so useful in building great Sunday Schools and in the development of teachers over a period of twenty years. Some features of the book are: A complete lesson for each week, written out word for word just as the teacher would want to present it; an excellent introduction; specific suggestions; unusual lesson introductions; careful outlining; illustrations that are original; an effective conclusion. The price is \$2.50 postpaid and orders should be sent to Rozell and Company, P. O. Box 2130, Amarillo, Texas.

EVERGREEN DEDICATES NEW BUILDING



DR. D. A. McCALL
REV. J. L. MOORE

Sunday, November 14, the people of Evergreen Church, Winston County, along with former members and other friends met at the church to dedicate the building, which was recently constructed of concrete blocks and has four Sunday School rooms and an auditorium. Both a comfortable heating system and cooling system have been installed.

After a report from the building committee and other reports of interest, visitors were recognized and welcomed. The Gospel Quartette of Williamsville rendered special music, as well as Mrs. Estes of Calvary, who sang a solo. Mrs. B. Wylie gave the history of the church, which is now in its third building on the present site. Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, delivered the dedicatory sermon.

New Mount Pleasant Church Dedicated

(Editor's Note: Circumstances beyond our control are responsible for the long delay in the publication of this article.)

Mount Pleasant church in Amite county dedicated their new church building August 29, 1948. The Rev. Melvin Wilson of East Fork Church preached the dedicatory sermon at two P. M. and the Rev. R. R. Brigrance led the Prayer. Roy Brigrance led the singing and sang as a special "The Holy City."

The Rev. Mr. Wilson preached at the 11 o'clock service after which a basket lunch was served. The Rev. H. J. McCool, pastor, was in charge of the program.

The new building is constructed of concrete blocks and has an auditorium with ample Sunday School rooms to take care of present needs. The building is not completed yet but is usable. Church attendance has almost doubled since going into the new building and the congregation feel very proud of their accomplishments.

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Rev. Reginald Wall has resigned the pastorate at Buford, Georgia in order to give his full time to evangelism. He is highly recommended by various pastors whom he has assisted in meetings and endorsed by the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board.

mon. Dinner was served on the grounds.

Pictured above are Pastor J. L. Moore and Dr. D. A. McCall, standing in front of the new building.

PADGETT ACCEPTS HARPERVILLE PASTORATE



REV. BARNEY PADGETT

Harperville Church has voted to go full-time and Rev. Barney E. Padgett has accepted the pastorate.

Mr. Padgett is a graduate of Mississippi College and received his Th. M. degree from the New Orleans Seminary in 1946.

He comes to Harperville from Mt. Zion Church, Simpson County, where he has been pastor for 27 months. During that time there were 30 additions to the church by baptism, and an increase in attendance in various organizations. A Brotherhood and R. A. and G. A. work were begun. New pews were purchased for the church, the floors were finished and the church was painted. A church sign was placed on Highway 13 near the church. An Educational Building fund has begun. The lawn of both the church and pastorium were landscaped, and running water and butane gas installed in the pastorium.

ALABAMA BAPTISTS GIVEN TWO HOSPITALS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. —(BP)— The Alabama Baptist Convention, meeting in its annual session here, accepted as a gift two hospitals previously operated by Birmingham Baptist Association.

A non-profit corporation will be set up for management of the hospitals. They have a property valuation of about \$1,750,000, and \$250,000 in cash. Plans have been made to increase the 200 bed capacity to 300 for the combined institutions.

Dr. A. H. Reir, state secretary, reported that gifts reaching the state office during the past year included \$800,028.84 for the Cooperative Program and \$500,398.19 for designated objects. Miscellaneous gifts boosted the total to \$1,393,572.92. A Cooperative Program goal of \$900,000 was set for 1949.

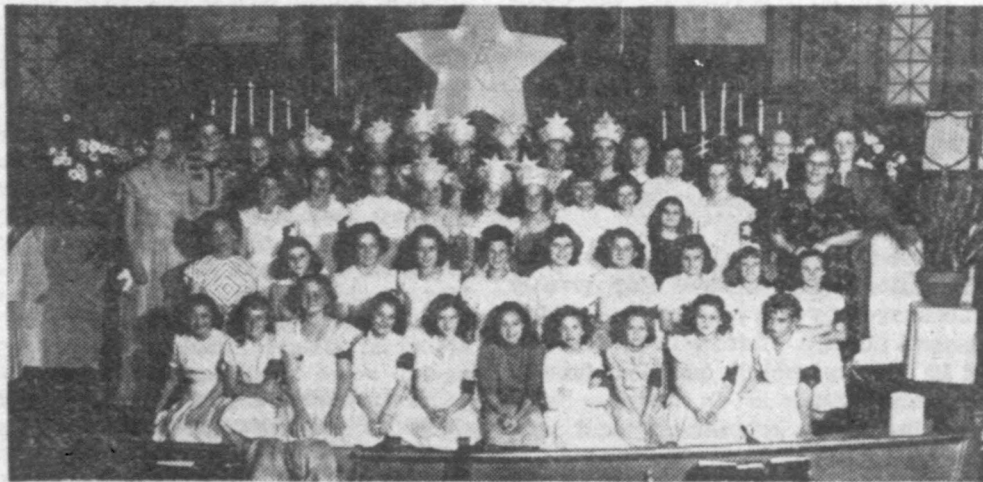
Gifts of \$200,000 from J. A. Fields of Montgomery and \$50,000 from Columbus, Ga. were announced by the Baptist Foundation of Alabama.

Dr. John Slaughter, pastor of First Baptist Church of Birmingham, was re-elected president of the Convention.

Editor's Note: Dr. Slaughter is a Mississippian.

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The Baptist Record appreciates the following words from one of Mississippi's finest pastors. He addressed them to the editor, but The Baptist Record is produced not by the editor alone but by a fine group of men and women and for all of them we say, "Thank you, pastor."

CORONATION AND RECOGNITION SERVICES HELD AT TUPELO BY LEE COUNTY ASSOCIATION



Approximately 60 young people in the Lee County Association met at First Church, Tupelo, recently for a Coronation Service for the Girls' Auxiliaries and a Recognition Service for the Royal Ambassadors. Members of each group who had advanced one or more steps during the year were recognized and are pictured above. Nine girls were crowned as Queen which is the highest step which a Jr. girl can reach.

Miss Nell Taylor, Young People's Secretary of the State WMU Department, directed the Coronation Service, and Rev. Joe Skinner, pastor of Calvary Church, Tupelo, directed the Recognition Service.

Mrs. H. G. Franks, Saltville, is Young People's leader for Lee Association. This was the first meeting of this nature to be held in this association. It was well attended and the interest was high.